Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) No.

(*b*) No answer is necessary in view of answer to (*a*). No such appointment was ever made.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Not appointment.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* No such authority was ever deputed.

AYURVEDIC MEDICINES—MANUFACTURE AND SALE OF

33. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether any lump provision has been set apart in 1116 from the budget allotment for Ayurveda for the manufacture of Ayurvedic medicines for purpose of sale to the public;

(*b*) whether the Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development has not stated in the Council during the budget session of 1115 that the manufacture of medicines for sale will be inaugurated in 1116;

(*c*) what is the scheme prepared by Government to run the manufacturing and sale sections in the Ayurvedic Hospital;

(*d*) whether any vaidya or doctor has been sent for training for this purpose; if so, whereto and whom;

(*e*) whether any expenditure had to be incurred by Government for the T. A. of the Hon'ble Minister or any officer who went to Madras for inspecting some machines in the School of Indian Medicines, Madras?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) No. But a sum of Rs. 10,000 has been provided for the purpose under "Advances."

(*b*) Yes. It was expected that the manufacturing section could be started this year. But owing to the difficulty in getting certain pieces of machinery, it has not been possible to open this section so far.

(*c*) The details of the scheme have not been finally decided by Government.

(*d*) Yes. Mr. A. Krishnankutty Warriar, Honorary Physician, Rama Varma Central Ayurvedic Hospital,

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has been got trained in the preparation of medicines at the Kalpatharu Ayurvedic Pharmacy, Calcutta.

(*e*) Yes.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* May I know, Sir, whether the Government expects any profit from this business?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes, surely.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* May I know, whether that profit can be had by consumption by Government alone of these medicines?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* No. By selling to outsiders also.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Has the Government thought of bringing into being a machinery for the sale of these medicines?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* We could not get even the other pieces of machinery for the preparation of medicines, and then what is the use of creating a machinery for selling?

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Without proper marketing will not this be a loss to the Government?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* In the first place, there will be sales. In the second place, the manufacture could be done in a proper manner and in larger quantities. If you want to start additional dispensaries, then large quantities of these medicines should be manufactured for their use and this will enable us to give medicines in large quantities to the dispensaries.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* So the Government have considered the question of outside market as the primary condition for running this?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* We are satisfied that there will be good sale. There is no doubt about it.

MODEL PANCHAYATS—WORKING OF

34. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) in what all places are model Panchayats constituted;

(*b*) how is the managing body of those model Panchayats constituted;

(*c*) whether Government have nominated members for these different model Panchayats;

(*d*) if so, who were nominated in 1115 and 1116 and the community to which each member belongs?

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